

## CITY OF NEWTON, MASSACHUSETTS

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CONSERVATION COMMISSION
AGENDA
October 22, 2009
Beginning at 7:30 p.m.
City Hall, Rm 209

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- 1. CSX Vegetation Management Plan RDA ROW spraying of herbicides in riverfront and buffer to bank of the Charles River, in bordering vegetated wetlands, and possibly floodzone, and in an area proximal to a public drinking water supply.
- 2. 902-904 Watertown Street RDA Deck re-location and enlargement in riverfront and floodzone.
- **3. 46 Farwell Street** Excavation & trenching in the 200 ft riverfront to the Charles without an OOC or negative DOA; EO issued by Anne needs ratification and owner to appear.

### **Violations** — **Updates**:

**76 Webster Park** – **Habitat** –**Update**–Utility poles out, and area re-stabilized with loam and seed (annual rye and wildflower seed). Anne signed off on certificate of occupancy and bond refund.

**35 Kingswood Road** – alteration of bank of Charles – restoration area planted with 20 new lowbush blueberry bushes. Will re-check spring of 2009;

**15 Harwich Rd** –Violation –Have asked DEP to assist. In a recent e-mail exchange, DEP analyst informed me she has not had time to pursue this violation;

**3 Fuller Ave.** – awaiting call to inspect erosion & sediment control for new work.

## **Certificates of Compliance**

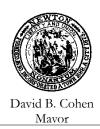
#### **Announcements & General Business:**

**Management Plan update** - Dan Green – vote to approve? Next step? Planner suggests the Commission pick 3 conservation areas, delegate lead person for each and start identifying key issues/concerns/goals suggest Norumbega, Houghton, Hunnewell, and schedule meeting. Interested 'friends of' groups may be invited at beginning or later meeting.

Open Space Plan – considerations and member to work on committee and with Conservators?

September 24, 2009 Meeting Minutes for approval

Crystal Lake Path – Work completed; working on signage.



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<u>Outstanding issues – discussion</u>

Rules/policy/procedure for Alternate members (?)
Performance Bonds (?) – in light of last MACC newsletter article
Non-criminal ticketing – update — Q: Does the Commission wish to ticket under the Watershed/Flood Zone only?

Anne Phelps, Sr. Environmental Planner

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